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JANE LOTT HATCH AND
RUTH WOOLLEY HATCH

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ber 2, 1832, in Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Cornelius and Permelia Darrow Lott. She died December 2, 1880, leaving two sons, Joseph and A. C., and three daughters, Minnie, Jane and Lacy. Two other children, Charles and John, died in infancy. Married Ruth Woolley in 1882. She was a daughter of Bishop Edwin Woolley of Salt Lake City, and was 25 at the time of marriage. She was the mother of six children, Mary Ann, LaPrele, Edwin D., Vermont, Aldura and Lucine.

Abram Hatch, first stake president of Wasatch Stake, was a grandson of a Revolutionary War veteran, Jeremiah Hatch, who came to Plymouth Rock in 1760. His mother died while he was a boy, and his father died in 1841. Abram, with his two brothers and two sisters, Jeremiah, Lorenzo, Adeline and Elizabeth, moved to Illinois to live with grandparents. The children were left considerable money by their father, but it was entrusted to an uncle who used it for himself, leaving the youngsters to do for themselves. Abram had always desired an education, but it was not possible for him to obtain it. When his grandparents died he became a cabin boy on a Mississippi River boat, and later cut cordwood for a living. He worked as an apprentice in a store and learned merchandising. He

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came to Utah in 1850, and was married to Permelia Lott in Lehi in 1852. They built a cabin by Utah Lake and started a farm and small merchandise business in Lehi. He also hauled freight and brought companies of immigrants back to Utah, making 11 trips across the plains. In 1861 he was called on a mission to England, leaving his wife and youngsters at home. His wife managed the farm, store and also ran freight teams to the Missouri River to obtain the needed supplies. She sold provisions to Johnston's Army. When her husband's mission was completed she was able to send him \$10,000 in gold dust to tour Europe and return home. He used most of the money to purchase merchandise enroute home. He bought a threshing machine, the first to come to Utah, and also stocks for the store. Two years after his return he was called by President Brigham Young to move to Heber and serve as bishop of the ward. He later became the first stake president and served 33 years in that position. Active in civic affairs, he was probate judge six years and served in the territorial legislature 23 years, authoring many worthwhile pieces of legislation. He also established a fine merchandising business in Heber and was known as a farmer and banker. His first home in Heber was built on the corner of First North and Main. He later built a large sandstone home east of his mercantile business. His first wife died at the age of 48 and was buried according to her wishes, in Lehi, by the graves of two small sons. He married Ruth Woolley in 1882. She was then 25 years old, and bore him six children, four daughters and two sons. She was a lovely, talented young lady, with a fine singing voice, and was a great help to him as he grew older. He died in Heber on December 2, 1911, and was buried in Heber City Cemetery. It was his wish that he be buried in the county he had helped build and where he had lived so long.

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Hon. Abram Hatch has been one of the most conspicuous figures in the history of Wasatch county. Ecclesiastically he was presiding bishop, and stake president of Wasatch county for thirty-three years; politically he was probate Judge for six years and representative to the territorial legislative twenty-two years; commercially, he has been one of the leading merchants of this county for thirty-nine years, besides being a leading figure in stock raising, farming, milling, and other industrial pursuits. To use a slang phrase, since his advent here, he has come very nearly being "it" in this county.

Mr. Hatch was born on a farm within the shadow of the Green mountains of Vermont, Jan. 3, 1830, being a son of Hezekiah and Aldura Sumner Hatch. He received a common school education in the rural district schools of Lincoln and Bristol. His mother died when he was ten years old and was buried at Lincoln, Vermont, and his father died a year later at Nauvoo, Ill., where he had moved with his family after embracing the Mormon faith. Young Abram was at Nauvoo at the time the Mormon prophet and his brother Hyrum were killed at the Carthage jail. In 1850 he came to Utah, arriving in Salt Lake valley on the 15th of September, and the next spring went to Lehi, where he wooed and won Miss Permelia Jane Lott. They were married December 2, 1852. He went into the mercantile business at Lehi and made several trips across the plains to the Missouri river for goods.

In 1867, just after his returns from a European mission, he was called by President Young to go to Wasatch county, and on the second day of December, of that year, was ordained presiding Bishop of this county, to succeed Bishop Joseph S. Murdock, who was called to establish a settlement in Arizona.

He was appointed probate Judge by the Legislative Assembly which met that winter, and on the first of June 1868, he took charge of the municipal affairs of this county, which office he held until 1874.

The Wasatch Stake was organized in 1877 and Mr. Hatch was chosen as Stake President. He held this office until February 10, 1901, when he was succeeded by Wm. H. Smart.

In 1880, his wife died and two years later he married Miss Ruth Woolley, daughter of Bishop Edwin R. Wooley of Salt Lake.

There is no need to mention here what he has done for the people of this county. While he has looked after the interests of Abram Hatch, he has also had an eye to the welfare of the county and its people. His advice to the people has always been to "keep out of debt." It has been the boast of the people here that the county did not owe a dollar and "its warrants were always worth one hundred cents on the dollar." And there is no denying the fact that this condition is largely due to the counsel and influence of Abram Hatch.

GUSTAF LUDVIG ANDERSON

Born Dec. 16, 1848, Halmstead, Sweden.
Married Elizabeth Stewart Aird Aug. 11, 1872.

Ludvig died May 23, 1922.

Elizabeth died Dec. 13, 1912.

His father, Lars, died when Ludvig was in his teens. In 1868 he, his mother and a brother emigrated to America. They settled in Heber and he became a member of the LDS Church.

He married Elizabeth Stewart Aird in Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug. 11, 1872. He was a farmer for several years, and owned a team of oxen that he used on his farm and to haul wood from the canyons. Later he was employed at the Abraham Hatch and Company. (Now the Heber City Exchange), where he worked for 30 years. It was often said that people could set their clocks and watches as he passed to and from work.

He was an honorable, kindly man with all the fine attributes of an early pioneer. He was particularly remembered for his love of the Christmas season, which he celebrated in the typical Swedish style.

Ludvig and his wife, Elizabeth were the parents of ten children, five boys and five girls.

His wife Elizabeth died December 13, 1912. Ludvig died May 23, 1922 at the age of 73 years.

Their ten children: Henry, Elizabeth, William, Edwin, James, John, Mary, Nellie, Grace and Isabel.

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Joseph Hatch, Jr., eldest son of Joseph and Jane Clyde Hatch, was born in Heber City on August 16, 1876. He married Dean Hathenbrook on January 12, 1896. They were the parents of three daughters and two sons. He died May 6, 1943, and is buried at Fort Bridger, Wyoming.

Joseph Hatch, Jr., was educated in Heber schools and then attended business college at Brigham Young University. With his wife, a native of Provo, he returned to Heber and worked at A. Hatch & Co. and then in the Hatch Creamery. He later moved to Wyoming, where he homesteaded a ranch and developed a successful sheep business. His wife died in 1926, and he married Dorcas Reese. Two daughters were born to them.